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FISCAL IMPACT STATEMENT

LS 7723

BILL NUMBER: HB 1520

NOTE PREPARED: Jan 7, 2005

BILL AMENDED:

SUBJECT: Obtaining Blood Samples from Arrested Persons.

FIRST AUTHOR: Rep. Alderman

FIRST SPONSOR:

BILL STATUS: As Introduced

FUNDS AFFECTED: X **GENERAL**
DEDICATED
FEDERAL

IMPACT: State & Local

Summary of Legislation: The bill requires a person who bites a law enforcement officer during or after an arrest to provide a blood sample that may be used to determine if the person has an infectious, a contagious, or a communicable disease. It specifies that test results on blood samples may be disclosed only to: (1) the law enforcement officer who was bitten; and (2) the person from whom the blood sample is taken. The bill provides civil and criminal immunity for persons who are required to obtain the blood samples or conduct tests on the blood samples.

Effective Date: July 1, 2005.

Explanation of State Expenditures: The bill provides that a law enforcement officer who is bitten during an arrest may request a blood sample be taken from the person arrested. The bill may increase costs for blood tests, assuming that tests are requested and that this is not standard operating procedure within the jurisdiction.

Explanation of State Revenues:

Explanation of Local Expenditures: See *Explanation of State Expenditures*.

Explanation of Local Revenues:

State Agencies Affected: State Police; Conservation and Excise Officers.

Local Agencies Affected: Local law enforcement agencies.

Information Sources:

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